(*c*) if so, what are the rates at which they have been rented or hired?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) To the South Indian Railway Company.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The Company is paid 8 per cent of the gross receipts of the State Railway towards hire charges.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar (*Nellayi*): During the last budget session, I remember that the Diwan-President made some remarks about the arrangement of having our own engines, since we have to pay enormous sums of money as rent.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Mr. President: The present agreement is to go on till the end of October 1939. Till that date, we can't make any deviation from the existing practice.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): May I know what will be the amount at 8 per cent of the gross-profits?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): Rs. 1,33,000. Of-course there might be slight variations.

CLERKS—REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT—REVISION OF PAY.

129. Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Mulakunnathukavu*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether orders have been passed on the resolution passed by this House in Vrischigam 1111, regarding the revision of the pay of the clerks of the Registration Department?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Mulakunnathukavu*): May I know when the order was passed? What the order is?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): It has been simply recorded. The resolution has not been accepted.

TRAVANCORE REFORMS AGITATION—INSTRUCTIONS TO POLICE.

130. Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have instructed the Police Department to place restrictions on the public in our

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